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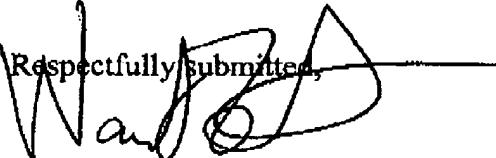
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Sir:

To date the undersigned attorney of record has received no action in the above-identified patent application. Please provide the undersigned with a status report of the application.

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